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University mourns loss of Lois Hole

Former chancellor was passionate about education

By Scott Lingley

Tears, laughter and music attended the occasion as University of Alberta staff and students joined people across the city and the province in celebrating the life and legacy of Lois Hole, lieutenant-governor of Alberta and chancellor emeritus of the U of A, who passed away Jan. 6 after a long battle with cancer.

The Jan. 18 memorial service, which drew distinguished guests and featured a cross-section of Edmonton's musical community, took place at the Francis Winspear Centre for Music in the city's downtown core and was simulcast on television and radio. The SUB stage area in the Students' Union Building filled with faculty, staff and students who wanted to take part in honouring the beloved public figure, who served as the U of A's chancellor from 1998 until her appointment as lieutenant-governor in 2000.

The proceedings touched on the many facets of Hole's life that endeared her to the public – her public service to Alberta, her success as a businessperson, her insatiable hunger for learning and her love of the arts, as well as her personal warmth and generosity of spirit.

"Lois, as we all knew her, was a person of singular grace, compassion and goodwill," said Deputy Prime Minister Anne McLellan. "She was an advocate and a patron of many worthy causes, and Albertans young and old will benefit from her vision for years to come."

"We remember her smile, her gentleness and her compassion, her ability to see the good in all people," said Alberta Premier Ralph Klein. "She truly embodied all that is good about this province."

Many speakers noted the trademark hugs that Hole was famous for bestowing, but her son Jim reminded the audience she was a passionate public servant committed to improving the quality of life for the people of Alberta through advocacy for improved public education and public healthcare.

"My mother always said the strength of our civilization was based on the breadth and depth of our educational institutions. Her only regret was that there wasn't more time to spread this message," he said. "It's up to us to make sure her



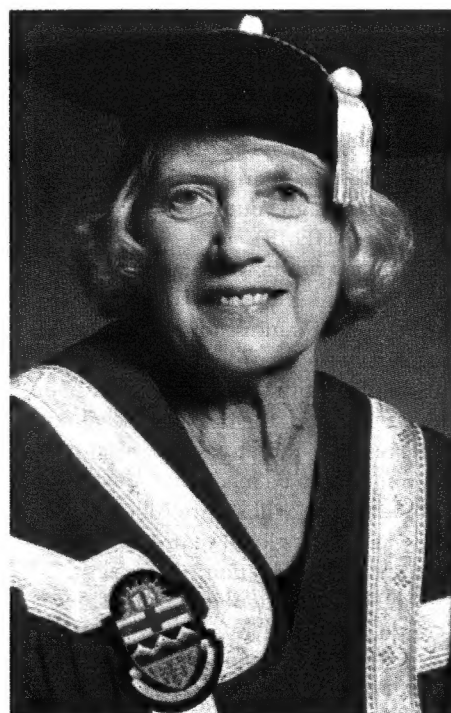
Engineering student Arzhang Naderi signs a book of condolences for the Hole family during a memorial for Lois Hole (inset) Tuesday. The book will be available for members of the university community to sign during the week of Jan. 24 – 28 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the Office of Public Affairs, sixth floor, General Services Building. The university will then present the book to the Hole family.

message isn't forgotten."

Hole's 16-year-old granddaughter Kate wiped away tears as she read a poem she wrote entitled *Strength* that reflected emotionally on her grandmother's great legacy and the strength required to carry on her ideals and standards.

To commemorate Her Honour's devotion to gardening and her love of music, a CBC interview with Hole originally broadcast in 1993 was played during the service, interspersed with live musical performances of selections picked by Hole herself. Her reminiscences about transforming a family farm outside of St. Albert into the largest gardening business in Alberta were punctuated with favourite compositions by Puccini, Andrew Lloyd-Webber and Roy Orbison, performed by the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra with guests Senator Tommy Banks, saxophonist PJ Perry, vocalists Shari Somerville and Rhonda Withnell, and singers from the Edmonton Opera.

Hole's introduction to the final musical selection of the memorial was a fitting reminder of the optimism and energy she channeled into her passions. The ceremony closed with a song made famous by



Louis Armstrong, *What a Wonderful World*.

"As much as I love the music, I really love the words," Hole said, "because I do think it's quite a wonderful world." ■

Hole made a difference as chancellor

Tributes pour in for 'Alberta's Rose'

By Geoff McMaster

With infectious warmth, she always spoke from the heart in a language everyone understood. Affectionately called "Alberta's Rose," by President Rod Fraser, she was one of the most popular and beloved ambassadors the University of Alberta ever had.

Alberta Lieutenant-Governor Lois Hole, former chancellor of the U of A, died Thursday at the age of 71 after a long battle with cancer.

"Lois Hole's warmth, generosity and dedication to the people of this province touched many lives. She was a great friend of the U of A, a great champion of life-long learning, a great humanitarian and a great Canadian," Fraser said in an interview shortly after Hole's death Jan. 6. "She was loved by all who knew her and will be deeply missed."

"She was just a wonderful person, and definitely inspirational," added Chancellor Eric Newell. "She was a tremendous advocate for public education and the arts, and had a very special place in her heart for the University of Alberta. One of the outstanding things about Lois was that she was very inclusive. When she went into a room everyone was drawn towards her. She was genuinely loved by all, and loved people."

University Board of Governors Chair Jim Edwards called Hole "a woman with a terrific heart."

Hole was born in Buchanan, Saskatchewan and moved to Edmonton in her teens, where she attended Strathcona Composite High School. For the past 50 years she lived on a farm on the Sturgeon River north of St. Albert, which she and her husband Ted diversified into a thriving vegetable and mixed garden business.

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Tuition increase a bitter pill for students, board

University remains optimistic about future funding

By Richard Cairney

Faced with rising costs that are outpacing revenues and a budget deficit of about \$4 million, the University of Alberta Board of Governors has approved a 5.75-per-cent tuition increase for Canadian students, as well as a tuition for new international students.

"It's a melancholy day. I don't think anyone enjoys what we've done here today," board chair Jim Edwards told reporters following the Jan. 14 board meeting, which was punctuated by heated debate over the tuition increases, increasing costs and government funding levels.

"It's an extremely frustrating day for students," added Students' Union President Jordan Blatz, who pointed out that the increase is the 24th tuition hike in as many years.

It was a point both students and administrators were too well aware of. But even while cutting its own administrative expenses to the bone, the university is in a financial situation that demands tuition fees increase, said Dr. Carl Amrhein, the university's Provost and Vice President (Academic).

Amrhein pointed out that provincial government support had stood at \$10.40 per \$1 of student tuition in 1981-1982. That level of support has decreased to present levels of \$2.21 in government support per \$1 of student tuition. Over the same



Students' Union President Jordan Blatz holds up a sign used to raise awareness of university funding issues during the provincial election campaign, during a debate on university tuition Jan. 14. The university and students participated in a province-wide campaign to raise awareness of funding needs at post-secondary institutions. Although administrators expressed optimism that funding levels will increase, it still pushed for a 5.75-per-cent tuition increase.

period of time, the university enrolment has grown by about 8,000 students. The university is also in the process of budget preparations and, even assuming that government support increases by four per cent – beyond the typical two per cent growth – and that the tuition increases would be approved and that faculties and administrative units will further contain costs this year, the university faces a budget deficit of about \$4 million.

Don Hickey, the university's Vice President (Facilities and Operations) said it's his belief the university "understates" its deficit. Building cleaning services, groundskeeping services and furniture renewal programs at the university are well below standards set in the private sector, he said, adding that the university faces a deferred maintenance bill in excess of \$600 million.

Vice President (Finance and Administration) Phyllis Clark added that skyrocketing costs of utilities and insurance have hamstrung the university. Utility bills

that totaled \$15 million in 1999/2000 are estimated to hit \$35 million by 2007/2008.

Blatz argued the tuition increase would adversely affect the ability of students to attend the university. And he said it's time the university found another way to solve its financial problems.

"The students have been treated as an easy source of revenue . . . and we haven't seen a corresponding benefit," he said, citing increasing class sizes and the growing ratio of students to professors.

Blatz asked the board to reject tuition increases as a method to improve its budget situation, to help lobby the government for tuition relief and improved access to university education, and to reduce any tuition increase if the provincial government comes through with greater-than-expected funding in its spring budget, in March.

Blatz went so far as to introduce a motion to delay the tuition vote until the province has unveiled its budget, but withdrew the motion when administrators argued the

move would have catastrophic effects on university planning and operations.

The board ultimately voted in favour of the proposal with administration agreeing to enter discussions with students if provincial funding is increased dramatically. Tuition fees for international undergraduate students were increased from about \$11,000 per year to slightly more than \$15,000 per year. An earlier proposal to apply the increase to international graduate students as well was scrapped, as was a plan to implement the increases for existing students. Instead, the hike will only affect new international students.

Amrhein later told reporters the university is pleased that the provincial government has said it will make post-secondary education its top priority. The U of A, Amrhein said, has been pressing for an immediate increase in funding of \$47.8 million and for additional funds to address the deferred maintenance bill. It is also working with the government to create more spaces for students. ■

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500 million reasons to celebrate

AHFMR receives \$500-million boost

By Richard Cairney

Health researchers in Alberta are celebrating a \$500-million injection into the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research (AHFMR).

The new funds were announced by Alberta Premier Ralph Klein Jan. 11, as part of the premier's move to improve health care in Alberta. In order to build the most innovative health care system in Canada, the premier said, the province needs to step up its research initiatives. The \$500-million contribution, to be made over the course of three years, "will secure Alberta's reputation as a truly global centre for health research and innovation," Klein said.

AHFMR President and CEO, Dr. Kevin Keough, called the investment "a great affirmation of the history of the foundation." The foundation was established 25 years ago with a \$300 million endowment.

Keough said the extra funds will "allow us to think about our current activity and what other new things we can think about doing." The AHFMR is about to

embark on an extensive consultation with the province's health research community, he added, making the announcement timely as well. Keough said the foundation would likely be able to award more grants to more researchers in the future, saying it had declined grant applications in the past, based not on quality of research proposals but on restrictions on funds available. And he declined to speculate on what new directions the funds might allow the foundation to move in, saying he'd prefer to hear suggestions from stakeholders first.

At the U of A, researchers were delighted with the news and expressed hopes for improved funding, or restoration of previous funding. In recent years the foundation had restricted funding to some areas. For example, it had stopped including a unique 15-per-cent funding addition to help universities offset indirect costs of research. And it had backed off on funding administrative support for researchers.

Dr. Tom Marrie, Dean of the Faculty of

Medicine and Dentistry, said he'd like to see the foundation enhance existing programs and to help young researchers get started. "The emphasis for us is on getting young people funded," he said.

The foundation, he added, has helped attract and retain high-calibre researchers from around the world.

Dr. Gary Kachanoski, the university's Vice President (Research) said the U of A owes thanks to the province. "We are absolutely delighted," he said. "We should all be sending them thank-you cards."

The foundation, Kachanoski said, has been a key partner in building the U of A's "powerhouse" health research capabilities. "It is difficult to overstate their importance to us," he said of the foundation.

Since 1980, AHFMR has contributed more than \$750 million directly to the scientific community. For every AHFMR dollar invested, researchers attract at least two dollars in external funding from public and industry sources to the province. ■

Life after hockey

NHL labour dispute trapped in the neutral zone

By Phoebe Dey

In the poker game between the National Hockey League's owners and players, observers of the standoff have seen much posturing, bluffing and little show of hand. And since neither side seems ready to fold, it looks like fans will have to continue to wait to see the return of hockey's elite in North America.

In a country where a meeting between the National Hockey League Players' Association (NHLPA) and its owners merits a top story on national newscasts, spectators and stakeholders alike must wonder how much this lockout will impact the future of the game.

History tells us that faithful fans will return to the arenas and television screens, as they did 10 years ago after the last lockout of any length. Some on the ownership side would likely maintain that it was their failure in that 103-day face-off to get "cost certainty" that has led to their current economic difficulties, says Dr. Dave Whitson, a University of Alberta political science professor whose research includes sport and public policy. That belief may have hardened the owners' resolve not to settle for anything less today, which is why the players' recent proposal – including a wage rollback, changes in the salary arbitration system and a luxury tax waged on teams that spend above defined limits – was refused, Whitson argues.

But treating professional sport as a business is not a modern-day quality. Efforts to impose salary caps date as far back as 1910, he says. "Owners in the old days had no compunction about trying to intimidate the first players who tried to form an association," said Whitson, who co-authored the book, *Hockey Night in Canada*. It might not have been as apparent to the average fan, "partly because the sums of money involved today are so staggering – hockey players in the 1950s made wages comparable to firemen or schoolteachers," he said.

"I think another factor is much better sports reporting by journalists capable of understanding the business issues and writing critically about both owners and players. Sports reporters in the old days were more like cheerleaders for the game."

One member of the local media says without hockey games to cover, he has learned to become more creative on his radio call-in show. "We typically do a two-hour pre-game show but now we're doing more football, we'll be doing curling closer to the Brier and will be heavy on the University Cup," said Bob Stauffer, the U of A's play-by-play announcer for U of A Golden Bears' hockey and co-host of a daily program on the local sports radio station 1260 The Team.

Stauffer says some fans have looked to reinvest the money normally spent on the Oilers on other sporting interests, but unfortunately for amateur hockey, such as the university's teams, the majority of fans are spending their cash on other things, like travel.



The only face-off fans are likely to see from the NHL this year is at the bargaining table.

Howie Draper, coach of the university's highly successful women's hockey program, agrees. While the men's team has always attracted a large crowd, Draper hoped the lack of NHL games would draw more media and fans to watch the Pandas play.

"The bottom line is that we are pretty low on the totem pole when it comes to capturing the attention of hockey enthusiasts out there," said Draper. "Edmonton is a pro-hockey town and the average Joe sees amateur sport as being second-rate,

particularly when Joe considers female hockey as one of his options in and around the city."

Stauffer believes that some enthusiasts show their support for hockey through the Edmonton Roadrunners, the American Hockey League Team that arrived in the city this season. "I think fans are showing their support for the Edmonton Oilers ownership by purchasing Roadrunners tickets," said Stauffer. "I would

guarantee that one-fifth of the fans bought those tickets out of support for the Oilers, not for their love of the AHL."

In Alberta, fans have shown unwavering support for the owners and not the players, Stauffer adds. "Ninety-eight per cent of our callers and e-mailers are completely behind the owners and the other two per cent are probably players and agents who listen to our show."

"Most Edmonton fans recognize that the longer the lockout goes, the better it is for the Edmonton Oilers because we're a small-market team. If the lockout ends shortly, it means the owners capitulated and gave in and that won't put Edmonton

on an even-playing field."

But even with a salary cap, which the owners say would assure cost certainty, there is no guarantee small-market teams would be able to keep costs down, compete for players and be more competitive against other teams, said Dr. Dan Mason, who teaches a class called *The Business of Hockey* in the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation.

"The NHL is more concerned about public relations than working with the NHLPA to find a solution," said Mason, who feels that if the NHL were interested in saving small-market teams, revenue sharing is one option that would have been considered years ago. "The messages being interpreted by the media and the fans aren't reflected by the real economic situation. The NHL keeps saying look at how successful the NFL is, but the NFL has only had a salary cap in place since the 1990s and they've been successful since the 1960s."

With or without a salary cap, a player's value will still be higher in a large market, which will lead to attempts by large market teams to circumvent the cap, says Mason. This has been a problem in the National Basketball Association, where one team was fined \$3.5 million, losing multiple draft picks, and forcing a leave of absence for its general manager, for exceeding the league's salary caps. "Even with a salary cap in place, players will still be motivated to move to markets where they can maximize their non-playing salary opportunities, which are almost always more lucrative in large markets like New York," said Mason.

Mason doesn't see the impasse ending soon, as long as the players are wary of

the owners' claims of revenue losses. Cory Cross agrees. The former U of A Golden Bears hockey player and Edmonton Oilers' defenceman recognizes that in most union and owner disputes, long-term interactions may be affected.

"There is always that jostling for position and it's almost textbook in terms of how each side is to act and react," said Cross, who continues to work out with NHL players as well as the occasional skate with Golden Bears alumni at their regular Friday afternoon ice time. "The relationship between the owners and players has

been bruised and I don't know if everyone has been totally honest. How honest are the owners about their revenues? I don't know if we'll ever be able to trust them."

When Cross was selected by the Tampa Bay Lightning in the 1992 Supplemental NHL draft, he didn't immediately realize the complexity of the industry. "I always said to myself I would play for free if I could play in the NHL but after my first year, I realized it is a business and often a dirty business, so you have to look out for yourself. There's not much loyalty."

Cross keeps up with any strike actions daily by logging into a website that continuously updates players on any happenings and media coverage, but the bottom line is he misses playing the game. "It's hard for a guy like me who is winding down his career, but it's also given me a chance to reflect on life post-hockey."

Until a resolution is reached, and some observers say it may be well into next season, fans will also dwell in that post-hockey neutral zone as well. ■

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— Bob Stauffer

University community responds to tsunami crisis

Plans underway to provide expertise in long-term relief

By Geoff McMaster, Dawn Ford and Richard Cairney

The earthquake and tsunami that hit the countries of Myanmar, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Seychelles, Somalia, Kenya and Tanzania Dec. 26 have had a profound and personal impact for many members of the University of Alberta community.

For Manjula Dissanayake, a PhD student in construction engineering and management at the University of Alberta, the week following the tragedy was one of despair.

His feelings ran from the panic of trying to contact family in his home country of Sri Lanka, to relief when he realized they were safe, to immense gratitude when he saw Edmontonians respond with unprecedented compassion and generosity for victims of the destructive tsunami that struck southern Asia on Boxing Day. The death toll has climbed to approximately 150,000.

"I was so grateful," said Dissanayake. "People here were very generous and we really felt that in our heart."

Most of Dissanayake's family lives in the north central Anuradhapura province of Sri Lanka, which escaped the flooding. But it took him and his wife two days to reach her sister, who lives in the south.

"To be frank, it was the worst holiday in my entire life," he said. "We couldn't contact her at all. My wife was crying for those two days, because we were looking at the news, and when you do that you get more frightened." Finally Dissanayake received indirect confirmation that his sister-in-law was safe.

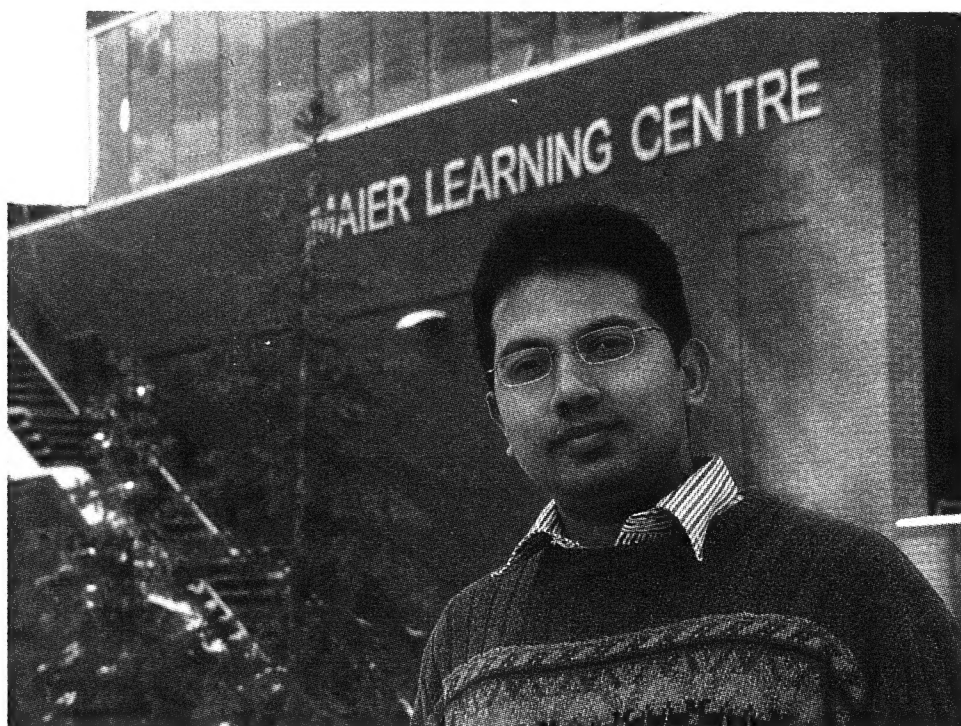
"My relatives and family are okay – that's one big relief, so I can focus on other things. Since I didn't have any personal losses, I'm able to help my fellow citizens."

Khadeeja Ibrahim-Didi, a doctoral student in Secondary Education, is from Male', capital of the Maldiv Islands in the middle of the Indian Ocean. Of the roughly 1,200 islands that make up the Maldives, 200 were inhabited when the tsunami struck. Many of the islands were submerged by water completely.

"When the waves hit, most of the men were working...the women, children and elders were at home," said Khadeeja, who learned of the Boxing Day disaster when a CNN news caption caught her attention. "So many are missing."

Although her own family is safe, Khadeeja fears for friends and families whom they have yet to hear from, including a child friend.

"My family hosts children of families who come from the islands to go to school



U of A PhD student Manjula Dissanayake intends to be part of the rebuilding process in his homeland of Sri Lanka.

in the capital. One young four-year-old of our family friend is missing. We believe she has been swept away."

Despite the unfathomable loss of island land and the endless destruction, the death toll in the Maldives is low compared to other countries affected. Though so much is still unknown, Khadeeja believes that

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– Khadeeja Ibrahim-Didi

there are roughly 80 dead and 28 assumed missing, many of these children.

"The greatest obstacle ahead for Maldives lies in reconstruction, both human and economic. We do not have any material resources to draw back on and with no access to psychiatric help for those in the islands, outside the capital where almost all of the damage occurred, people are trying as best they can to start their lives over."

For his part, Dissanayake now worries most about the long-term implications of the disaster. The first priority, as he sees it, is rebuilding schools. About 200 schools in Sri Lanka, where some 300,000 children were enrolled, were destroyed by the tsunami.

Education, he says, is highly valued in Sri Lanka, with an impressive 98-per-cent literacy rate and one-per-cent drop-out rate in most schools.

"We really boast about those figures," he said. "Education is the best asset a parent can give to their kids – that's what my parents felt." His father is a school principal and, in a recent conversation with Dissanayake, he stressed that rebuilding schools is the most effective way to "bring the country back to a normal state."

"Many of these kids lost their parents, their homes, and (schools) are the one place you can quickly build and put them on the right track again. One day they'll learn the skills to survive."

And so with the help of the Alberta Buddhist Vihara Association, for which he serves as communications director, Dissanayake plans to spearhead a campaign to raise \$10,000 across campus and across the province – a realistic target and enough to build one school.

"The schools are not really expensive in terms of dollars. They are small schools – all they need is shelter, some furniture,"

and some books. "If I can collect some money, at least to build one school out of those 200, it would be a great help to them."

Dissanayake is organizing fundraising efforts in conjunction with the Indian Students' Association and the Southeast Asian Students' Association at the U of A.

Beyond fundraising, Dissanayake says he hopes to return to Sri Lanka when he finishes his doctorate, probably within the next year. He would like to become directly involved in the reconstruction effort, applying the valuable skills he has learned

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– Manjula Dissanayake

in engineering construction and management.

"I would like to put my whole effort on building schools and hospitals," he says. "I just want to go back and help...With all the knowledge I've gained from this program, I can definitely help with that."

Khadeeja has other thoughts about returning home. "I cannot imagine going back to the beaches . . . the same way I used to," she said.

The university itself is working on a plan that would provide long-term aid to the tsunami-stricken regions.

"The major focus of the world is on the urgent and immediate needs of the victims of the tsunami in the Indian Ocean," said Terry Mackey, director of the International Projects Unit at University of Alberta International. "However, even as the relief efforts accelerate, it is essential that we consider the longer term strategic needs of the region."

Mackey said the university will consult with post-secondary, research and non-governmental organization partners in the region to determine long-term needs, then consult individual faculties to find out how expertise at the U of A can help meet those needs.

"We will be working with our existing partners in the region on strategic priorities in the long-term reconstruction process and drawing on relevant expertise at the University of Alberta," Mackey said, adding that he expects more details to emerge in the next few weeks.

A list of relief agencies is available on the U of A website at www.ualberta.ca. ■

Parkland Institute receives \$1-million gift

Anonymous donor helps fund research

By Richard Cairney

The Parkland Institute, a public policy think tank based at the University of Alberta, has received an anonymous, \$1-million donation. The province-wide research institute will use the donation to support its ongoing research and programming.

"This donation will help ensure that the Parkland Institute can continue to provide insightful and progressive research and analysis of the public policy issues that matter to Albertans and that affect them in their daily lives," said Dr. Gordon Laxer, the institute's director. "The work of Parkland contributes to and helps broaden the scope of political discourse in this province, and this generous gift will help us strengthen that work."

The \$1 million donation will establish an endowment fund from which Parkland will draw an average of \$45,000

in annual income in perpetuity. The goal of the Institute is to continue building that endowment fund for the future.

"Although this tremendous gift helps our sustainability significantly, we must continue to solicit the support of Albertans to ensure our maximum effectiveness into the future," said Laxer, a professor in the Department of Sociology. "We've been struggling – we operate like any non-profit, and this helps put our finances on more solid ground."

The institute, founded in 1996, has published books and reports on virtually all aspects of public policy in Alberta, including health care, energy deregulation, oil and gas royalties, privatization, poverty and youth crime.

When the institute opened, it immediately raised the ire of the provincial

government with the release of a book by Kevin Taft, now leader of Alberta's opposition Liberals, entitled *Shredding the Public Interest: Ralph Klein and 25 Years of One-Party Government*. And although the institute often runs afoul of provincial politicians in releasing reports contrary to government policy and practice, Laxer said it remains apolitical.

"We are not political in the partisan, political party sense," Laxer said. "We have supporters from all parties – the Liberals and the New Democrats and the Greens, and even the odd Conservative. We don't say 'vote this way' or 'vote that way.' But we certainly take a different perspective than the corporate-funded institutes like the Fraser Institute or the CD Howe Institute. We support the struggles of ordinary people."

The institute, part of the Faculty of Arts, also holds an annual conference which has brought high-profile speakers such as John Ralston Saul, Dr. Helen Caldicott, Maude Barlow, Naomi Klein, Linda McQuaig and others to the province.

Laxer described the donor as a "long-time supporter" of the institute who "didn't want the fuss" of public attention, preferring anonymity. "We have had a long association with the donor," he said.

Dr. Daniel Woolf, dean of the Faculty of Arts, pointed out that "this gift certainly highlights that the important work of the Parkland Institute is highly respected and valued in the community. Parkland is an important part of the Faculty of Arts, and this gift lets us know that Albertans also see it as an important part of the province as a whole." ■

Marshall recognized for national leadership

Countless contributions to women in sport

By Geoff McMaster

Dr. Dru Marshall, associate dean of the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation, has been named one of the 20 most influential women in Canadian sport by the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women and Sport and Physical Activity (CAAWS).

The list recognizes women who have made a significant impact as athletes, administrators, advocates, board members, executives, medical doctors, officials, policy makers and volunteers.

"It's a confirmation of what we've known about Dru for a long time, that she's one of the true leaders in Canada who promotes and develops sport in the country," said Dr. Mike Mahon, dean of the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation. "For many years she's made contributions to sport on many fronts."

Marshall coached the successful Pandas field hockey team and the Canadian

National Field Hockey team, and has won the prestigious 3M Award for coaching in Canada. She has also won many coach-of-the-year awards in Canada West and the Canadian Inter-university Athletic Union, and tirelessly advocates at the national level for the increased participation of women in sport as both athletes and coaches.

"I was stunned," Marshall said of making the top 20 list. "I opened the e-mail . . . and just thought, 'Holy smokes.'" She added that she is proud to count herself among those chosen, many of whom "very often wouldn't get that kind of recognition."

In addition to more well-known names such as paralympic gold medalist Chantal Petitclerc and Olympic gold medalist Lori-Ann Muenzer, the list also includes directors and executives of various athletic associations.

"I've always believed that it's impor-

tant for young women to have strong female role models," said Marshall. "If you're a female in sport right now and you never see a female in a coaching position or senior administrative position, you don't have it on your screen as an option."

She says one of her missions is to make sure more women get involved in sports at more senior levels. "Sometimes coaches retire with a lot of collective wisdom from being involved in sport for so long, and they tend not to get involved in other things . . . I often wondered why, when people retired, we didn't use them in the system as effectively as we might have."

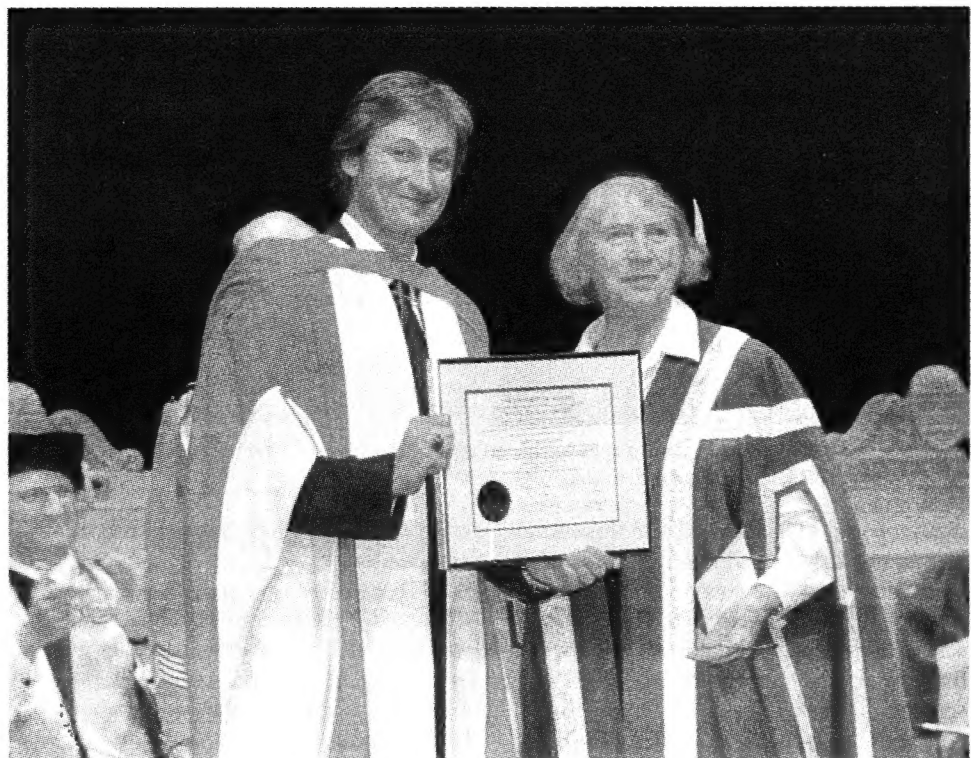
Marshall has also been active in research, working on issues of childhood obesity, children's fitness, the physiological demands of high performance sport, eating behaviours and disorders in female athletes.

"Dru has had a passion for the whole

issue of women in sport – she's been a strong leader in this area for years, and in particular promoting women as leaders in sport," said Mahon.

CAAWS is a national, not-for-profit organization working in partnership with Sport Canada and with Canada's sport and active living communities to achieve gender equity in the sport community. This is the first time the organization has produced its list of the 20 most influential women, drawn from public nominations as well as the suggestions of knowledgeable sport and physical activity leaders.

"Women often work collectively, sharing knowledge and best practices as well as sharing results and successes," said Theresa Harvey Pruden, chair of CAAWS. "We wanted to recognize these exceptional women and also acknowledge both their influence and their invaluable contributions to our society." ■



Even The Great One was hugged by Lois Hole, seen here with hockey legend Wayne Gretzky, who received an honorary degree in June, 2000.

Hole made a difference

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Their sons joined the business in 1979, and it was incorporated as Hole's Greenhouses and Gardens, Ltd.

"Lois was a very astute businesswoman," said Newell. "From my perspective she was the driving force behind (Hole's Greenhouses)."

Hole was elected a trustee for the Sturgeon School Division in 1967, when she began to champion life-long learning. She served 14 years on the division as trustee and chair before serving on the board of St. Albert School District #6, and then the Athabasca University Governing Council from 1972 to 1983. In 1998 she was elected chancellor of the University of Alberta.

"The real legacy is that she was such a great public champion of the university and public education in general," said Newell. "People listened to her, and I think she changed a lot of lives. You just had to be near her and see how many students came up to her to say what a difference she made. She put a very human face on this university."

"I remember at one of our AGMs, the public affairs group really tried to discipline us to stay right on time, with everything carefully scripted," Newell added. "But then Lois gets up to the podium and starts from her script. All of a sudden you see the glasses come down, the paper pushed over to the side, and she starts a story about what she and Ted discussed at dinner last night. Nobody noticed or complained – they were mesmerized, and loved the way she

told things in her own folksy and humorous way. But it was always very pointed with a very clear message."

Hole was a tireless supporter of the arts, libraries and education, contributing to them through a number of programs, such as the Lois Hole Library Program, the Alberta School Boards Association "Lois Hole Lecture Series" and the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Arts Awards Program.

She is perhaps best remembered by many in the university community for her famous hugs, which became part of tradition at convocations, annual general meetings and any other public ceremony. Newell recalls that when he was chair of the board of governors and Hole was chancellor, "the two of us had our roles down – I did the introducing and she did the hugging."

But, says Edwards, "it wasn't all hugs. The other part of her legacy is her fearless messages on the imperatives of an educated, humane society. There were those who cringed, saying vice-regal representatives aren't supposed to do that, but it didn't matter to her. She continued on, and good for her."

At this year's Celebration of Teaching and Learning, Hole received a round of loud applause when, unscripted, she took the podium and delivered one of her frequent messages: "I dream of the day when professors, teachers, librarians and teacher/librarians are paid as much as hockey players." ■

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The game is the goal

Who needs the NHL? Jack Lerbekmo plays three times a week.

By Tom Murray

At 80 years of age, Dr. Jack Lerbekmo, professor emeritus in geology (Earth and Atmospheric Sciences) at the University of Alberta must be one of the oldest hockey players around. In fact, Lerbekmo is a constant source of inspiration to "old-timer" teammates half his age.

Like most Canadian boys, Lerbekmo first hit the ice when he was quite young. "I was seven when I started, and pretty much continued through until I was 17," he said.

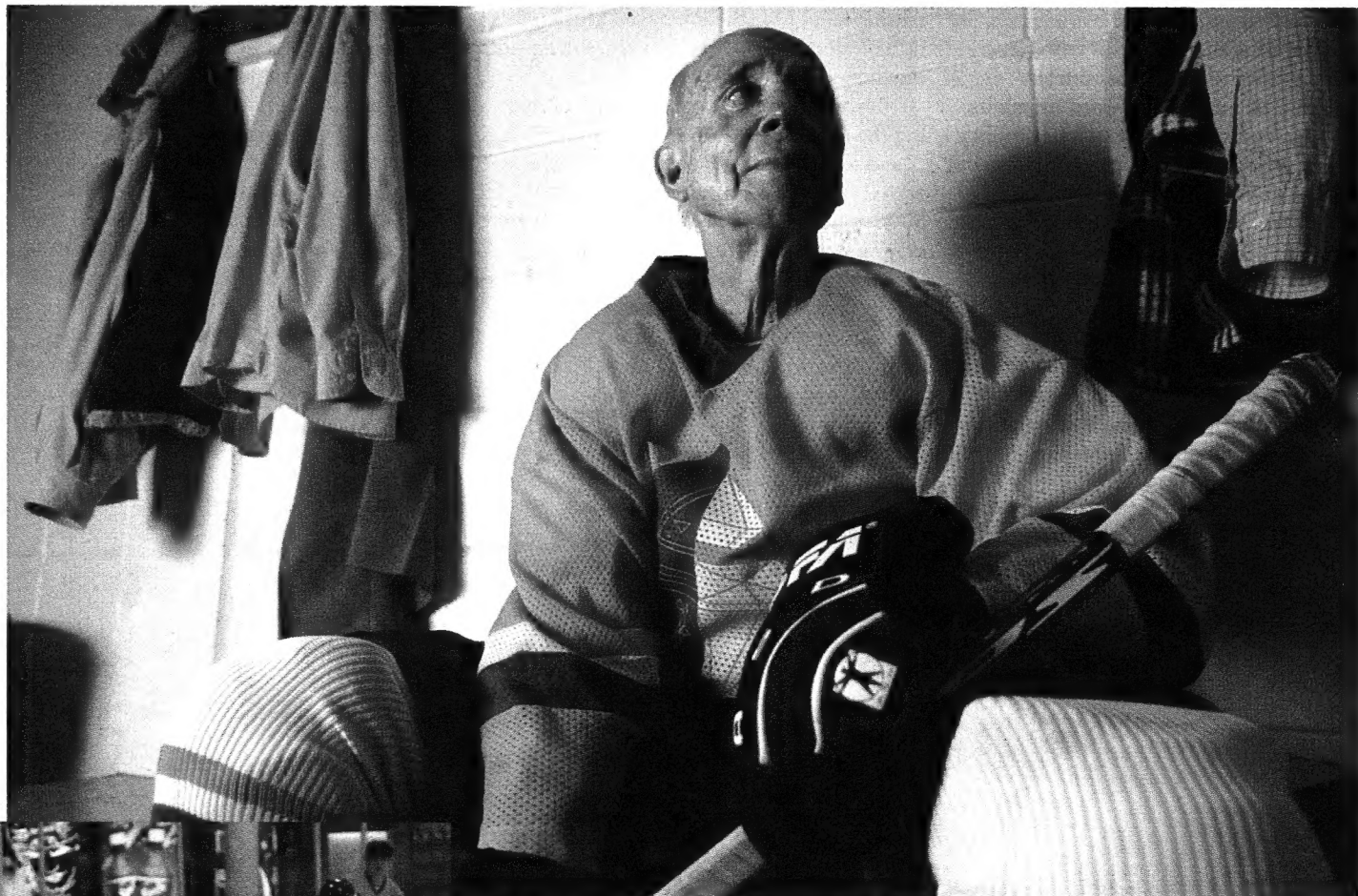
The Second World War interrupted any boyhood dreams of playing in the NHL. Lerbekmo signed up at 17, shipped out to fight, and finally ended his service with a stint in the occupying forces in Germany. In college he found his way back to the game, logging ice time with the UBC Thunderbirds, only stopping when he entered graduate studies in Berkeley, California.

"I came down with TB in grad school, so I entered a sanatorium in Saskatoon and had to take a year off. I went back down (to Berkeley), but I was under treatment the whole time I was doing my doctorate which, of course, wasn't conducive to physical activity. I had a collapsed lung.

"After I came back I didn't feel that hockey was a good thing for me," he said. Lerbekmo settled into teaching and raising a family, with little time for outside interests.

"But after 20 years, when my home town of Tofield got an artificial rink out of the celebrations around the '72 Olympics, my cousin, who I grew up playing hockey with, said that he was going to start up an old-timer hockey league. He asked if I was interested and I said 'yup, I'm ready to play again.' " Lerbekmo was 48 at the time.

"I started to play intramural hockey with the geology team for periods of time. When I was 58, 59 they started up the over-35 league at the university. I put together a team from the geology department that we called the Precambrians. I was still playing intramural at the time, but then the students got wind of the fact that there were



Jack Lerbekmo still plays hockey with the best. The retired geology professor, 80, plays in an old-timers' league and a summer league.



people like myself that were able to play twice in two different leagues – intramurals and old timers – and they thought that was unfair. So they said 'you have to choose'. That's when I gave up intramural and just played with the old timers."

His remarkable constitution has to be traced to his upbringing. Lerbekmo grew up on a farm south of Tofield, a non-smoking, non-drinking religious community

made up of, in his words, "half Norwegian Lutherans, half German Mennonites." It was just a good healthy environment to grow up in. "My mother, who was a high school teacher, knew that when I went in the army I'd be in the company of smokers, so she said 'Jack, if you don't smoke until you're 21, I'll buy you a really nice wrist watch.' I thought, 'gee, that's a pretty good deal.' " He laughed. "She knew that if I didn't smoke for another couple of years I'd probably never start."

It appears, instead, that hockey is Lerbekmo's addiction. It's a full schedule for the veteran centre – old timers' league, summer hockey, even the famous Snoopy hockey tournament in Los Angeles, created by the late cartoonist and hockey nut Charles Schulz. So much physical activity has kept up his stamina. His smooth,

effortless skating has drawn praise from envious teammates.

"That's what kind of saves you," he explained. "You have to be able to skate reasonably well. I was a very fast skater when I was young, and as a consequence still a good skater. I was always a playmaker, which helps, because if you can pass the puck to the players that are faster than you, then everybody wants to play with you. You're always on good terms with your teammates.

"I play three times a week, twice with the over-65s, and all of these guys are really good – college, semi-pro, Western Hockey League – and most of them are playmakers," Lerbekmo said. "There are a few that aren't; they still try to play the game by themselves. Some people just feel that they have to be the person that scores the goal rather than the one that assists." ■

talks & events

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UNTIL SEP 1 2005

Marginal Notes: an exhibition of bookworks concerning social issues Bruce Peel Special Collections Library, Rutherford South.

UNTIL JAN 29 2005

Visual Fun: Art & Design Fundamentals Visual Fun is an exhibition of works by students in the introduction to studio disciplines. Regular Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, 10:00am to 5:00pm, and Saturday, 2:00pm to 5:00pm. Fine Arts Building Gallery, Room 1-1 Fine Arts Building, University of Alberta campus, 112 street and 89 avenue, Edmonton.

JAN 21 2005

Boca del Lupo's The Suicide The Department of Drama is thrilled to present the exclusive Edmonton engagement of The Suicide – an international, multidimensional performance by Vancouver's Boca del Lupo and Mexico's San Banquito Teatro. Winner of the Alcan Performing Arts Award for Theatre in 2004, The Suicide is a highly physical, viscerally engaging production

based on a controversial and comical play by Soviet playwright Nikolai Erdman. The Suicide satirizes the plight of an unemployed man who is thought to be contemplating suicide. When a sausage in his pocket is mistaken for a gun, word gets out and the man is immediately besieged by spokespeople from various discontented groups who attempt to persuade him to kill himself on their behalf. 8:00 p.m. Second Playing Space, Timms Centre for the Arts.

JAN 21 2005

Golden Ring Tournament Come watch the fast paced and exciting action as the U of A Ringette team takes on another tough opponent. Enjoy all the thrills of this new U of A team. Fri, January 21, 2005 (8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.)

Workshop for Japanese Language Teachers For information on registration, please contact Dr. Yoko Udagawa at yoko.udagawa@gov.ab.ca or phone 415-6166. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Old Arts Building, U of A, room TBA.

Health Ethics Seminar What's Missing in the University of Alberta Standards for the Protection of Human Research Participants? The Importance of Fidelity in Health Research. Health Ethics Seminar:

Presentation by Dr. Derek Truscott, Associate Professor, Department of Educational Psychology, University of Alberta. Everyone Welcome! 12:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. 207 Heritage Medical Research Centre.

Department of English and Film Studies Misao Dean (external examiner) "Reading the Canadian Canoe Museum" Misao Dean is a summer-camp alumna and a canoeing snob. She is currently writing on the ways that historical and contemporary discourses of nationalism in Canada elide First Nations and their claim to geographical territory. "Reading the Canadian Canoe Museum" is part of this project. Misao Dean is also Professor and Director of Literature in the English Department at the University of Victoria, and has published books and articles on early Canadian fiction, realism, and historical representation. 1:00 p.m. HC L-3.

Literacy Research Presentation Presentation by Dr. Rauno Parrila on "Cognitive and Noncognitive Influences on Reading Acquisition." 3:00 p.m. 651a Education South.

Department of Biological Sciences Michelle Berry, Medical Microbiology, University of Alberta is presenting a seminar on "Control of Apoptosis: Lessons from Vaccinia virus," at 3:30 p.m. in Room

M-149 of the Biological Sciences Building.

Department of English and Film Studies Julia Emberley (external examiner). Julia Emberley - Aboriginal Phantasms: Spectatorship and 'the family' in the Photographic Archive University of Western Ontario. Julia Emberley teaches feminist theory, contemporary women's literature, First Nation's literature, postcolonial studies, and cultural studies. Professor Emberley's publications include two books, Thresholds of Difference: Feminist Critique, Native Women's Writings, Post-Colonial Theory (1993) and The Cultural Politics of Fur (1997). Her current research, from which "Aboriginal Phantasms" derives, concerns early twentieth-century colonial practices of spectatorship and violence in the representation of "the English family" in Canada. 3:30 p.m. HC L-3.

Forum on Japanese Studies 1-7 p.m. - Please register (free) for Saturday's program in the Foyer of the Old Arts Building. 4-7 p.m. - Reception in the Arts Student Lounge, Arts 232. 7-9 p.m. - A screening of the Film "Stereo Future" (2001), directed and written by Hiroyuki Nakano Please see the listing on Jan. 22nd for program details on Saturday's talks. 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Old Arts Building.

Invited Speaker Invited Speaker: Dr. Derek Muir Senior Research Scientist and Project Chief Atmospheric Contaminants Impacts Aquatic Ecosystem Protection Research Branch; National Water Research Institute -Environment Canada Lecture Title: "Identifying New POPs: Challenges for Environmental Analytical Chemists." 4:00 p.m. V1-06 V wing.

Pandas Basketball Pandas vs. Univeristy of Victoria. 6:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. U of A Main Gym.

Bears Basketball Bears vs. Univeristy of Victoria. 8:15 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. U of A Main Gym.

JAN 22 2005

Forum on Japanese Studies Please register (free) in advance on Fri. Jan. 21 after 1 p.m. in the foyer of the Old Arts Building. There will be 16 presenters throughout the day. 9 a.m. Keynote Address: Dr. Timothy Iles, University of Victoria. Topic: Female Voices, Male Words: Problems of Communication, Identity, and Gendered Social Construction in Contemporary Japanese Cinema 1 p.m. Keynote address: Professor Seichi Makino, Princeton University. Topic: A Japanese plural marker: -tachi as a window into the Japanese cognitive world. 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Old Arts Building, room 141.

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JAN 23 2005

Pandas Basketball Pandas vs. University of British Columbia. 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. U of A Main Gym.

Bears Basketball Bears vs. University of British Columbia. 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. U of A Main Gym.

JAN 24 TO FEB 16 2005

The Proteans - Shelley Rothenburger Opening reception - Fri., Jan. 28, 6-9 pm. Special Guest: Poetry Reading by Mingus Tourette. Mon, January 24, 2005 - Wed, February 16, 2005. Extension Centre Gallery, 2nd Floor, University Extension Centre, 8303-112 Street.

JAN 24 2005

ICT (Information and Communications Technology) Forum Please register in advance at www.ualberta.ca/ict. The tenth ICT Forum, on Computing in the Arts, will showcase a wide range of research which uses computing methodologies in the humanities, fine arts, and social sciences. Interested on-campus staff and students, as well as the general public, are invited to this one-day forum. In particular, an invitation is extended to senior undergraduate students who might find these themes and approaches useful in their studies and future work. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Maple Leaf Conference Room at the Lister Conference Centre.

ICT Computing in the Arts Forum The University of Alberta will host the tenth in a series of ICT forums at Lister Hall, from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The forum, which is open at no charge to the public, focuses on Computing in the Arts and will showcase a wide range of research which uses computing methodologies in the humanities, fine arts, and social sciences. New approaches in fields such as literature, history, and sociology use information technology tools and techniques; emerging fields such as corpus linguistics and digital media production are founded upon computing approaches; and cyberculture explores the impact of ICT on our society as a whole. Visit our web site for program details and to register: www.ualberta.ca/ict or call 492-4485 Mon, January 24, 2005 (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Maple Leaf Conference Room , Lister Centre

Visiting Lecturer Dr. Chris Richardson Senior Scientist/Ontario Cancer Institute Full Professor/ Department of Medical Biophysics University of Toronto Title of Talk: "Identification and Characterization of Cellular Receptors For Measles Virus." 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. 5-10 Medical Sciences Building.

Invited Speaker Invited Speaker: Professor Jeffrey N. Johnston Department of Chemistry Indiana University, Bloomington, IN. Lecture title: "The Development of New Reactions and Reagents for Alkaloid Total Synthesis: The Advent of Chiral Proton Catalysis." 11:00 a.m. V1-07 V wing.

Academic Plan Town Hall Meeting Dr. Carl Amrhein, Vice-President (Academic) and Dr. R. Gary Kachanoski, Vice-President (Research) invite the wider University of Alberta community to join the consultation/planning process that will lead to a new Academic Plan. 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Council Chambers, University Hall.

University Teaching Services Academic Integrity in Motion (S) Since the release of the Academic Integrity Task Force's recommendations, the Truth In Education program has been working to implement those. This session reviews the recommendations and provides an update as to where the program is now and where it would like to be in the future. Presenter: Deborah Eerkes, Academic Integrity Program. 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. CAB 235.

JAN 25 2005

PhD Thesis Defence John Law Title of Talk: "Functional Analyses of Capsid Regions in Rubella Virus Replication." 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 5-10 Medical Sciences Building.

"Read Textbooks the Expert Way" Learn how to make the most of your reading time, how to learn and remember what you read, and get some "high level" reading tips. Pre-register at 2-703 Students' Union Building (SUB). 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 2-702 Students' Union Building (SUB).

University Teaching Services Teaching Ethics Using Cases (I) A good teaching case is powerful in the university classroom. Cases get people talking with one another – trying out ideas, trading points of view, sharing experiences, being energized, and having fun. This session showcases one instructor's practice with ethical cases that incorporate role play as a value-added pedagogical attribute. Participants will experience a mini-case and discussion. Presenter: Rebecca Davis Mathias, St. Joseph's College. 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. CAB 235.

Department of Museums and Collections Services Alberta Written in Soil: Observations from the University of Alberta Soil Science Monolith Collections. Here's a riddle: what do we rely on for sustenance and waste disposal, for a blooming backyard and a healthy globe? In a word: soil. Although soil is something we often take for granted, it is the essential foundation of our province's (and our planet's) life-support system. In this special public talk, Dr. Noorallah Juma unearths research associated with the University of Alberta Soil Science Monolith Collections – from Alberta's pioneering soil scientists, through soil samples that document over 60 years of changes in Alberta's landscape, to the impact of global environmental change and pollution on soil quality. Join Dr. Juma for a "reading" of Alberta's history written in soil and for a different perspective on the future of this renewable resource. The talk will include a brief tour of some of the University of Alberta Soil Science Monolith Collections, one of the 35 collections that comprise the University of Alberta Museums. 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wyatt Lecture Room (Room 2-36), Earth Sciences Building.

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JAN 26 2005

Medical Genetics Weekly Seminar Series Dr. Carol Schuurmans, Assistant Professor with the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the University of Calgary, will present "Neurogenins and the specification of neuronal identity in the cerebral cortex". 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. 2-07 HMRC.

PHS Grand Rounds Guest Speaker: Nancy Reynolds, Director, Alberta Centre for Child, Family and Community Research "A Model to Enhance Applied Interdisciplinary Social Science Research Capacity in Alberta." 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Room 2-117, Clinical Sciences Building.

Tri-Council Information Session As part of the Tri-Council Financial Review of research fund management at the U of A in late January, members of the Financial Monitoring Team will hold an information session on financial accountability. This session is open to all faculty and staff in the University of Alberta research community. Senior representatives for NSERC, CIHR and SSHRC will present information on accountability issues and will respond to feedback and questions from the University community. Combined with other federal agencies, the Canadian government contributed about \$141 million in research funding to the University in 2003-04. 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. N2-115 Education Centre.

"Make the Best Use of Your Memory" Learn about the stages of memory, rote vs. meaningful strategies, reasons for memory failures and how to improve your concentration. Pre-register at 2-703 Students' Union Building (SUB). 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 2-702 Students' Union Building (SUB).

University Teaching Services Humour in the Classroom (I) Have you heard "if they're laughing, they may be listening?" Humour and laughter are associated with many positive learning outcomes. This session explores supporting evidence for using humour in teaching and provides several strategies for including humour in course outlines, class sessions, and exams. You don't have to be funny; I'm not. Presenter: Billy Strean, Physical Education and Recreation. 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. CAB 235.

The University of Alberta chapter of Sigma Xi Lecture by Dr. Hong Wong, Department of

Computing Sciences, on "Intelligent sensing for oil-sands mining". Monthly lecture sponsored by Sigma Xi. Open to all. Refreshments at 4:15 pm. Lecture starts at 4:30 pm. M-145 Biological Sciences Building. 4:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Biological Sciences M-145.

Marc Hall's Prom Predicament Presented by AGAPE: This presentation discusses the challenges and opportunities in addressing LGBTQ student issues in Catholic schools. What is AGAPE? AGAPE is a focus group set up to consider issues in relation to sex, sexual, and gender differences in education and culture. It is designed to meet the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans-identified, queer (LGBTQ) and allied undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, and staff in the Faculty of Education at the University of Alberta. As well, we welcome practicing teachers and other interested members of the larger community. If you have a question, please email Dr. André Grace at andre.grace@ualberta.ca or Kris Wells at kwells@ualberta.ca 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. 5-109 Education North Education Centre.

JAN 26 – JAN 29 2005

Opera The University of Alberta Department of Music Opera with the University Symphony Orchestra Alan Ord, Director Tanya Prochazka, Conductor Sylvia Shadick Taylor, Repetiteur Two one-act operas Gianni Schicchi by Giacomo Puccini and The Old Maid and the Thief by Gian Carlo Menotti. 8:00 p.m. Arts Building/Convocation Hall.

JAN 27 2005

Modern Energy Wood Procurement Systems for Industrial Operations Dr. Juha Nurmi, Department of Mechanical Engineering, presenting seminar which will describe modern energy wood procurement systems, machinery, environmental factors and research challenges. For more information: Dr. Juha Nurmi, phone 492-9345, cell 965-3443. 2:30 p.m. 2-002 Engineering Teaching and Learning Complex (ETLC).

Enjoy a Strong Pulse! Olympic rower Pauline Van Roessel gave it her all at the Olympic Games in Athens in 2004. We cordially invite you to attend a very special presentation by this outstanding athlete. Pauline will share her views on achieving personal goals and the teamwork needed to strive for Olympic glory. Event hosted by Dr. Douglas Weber, Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation. Reception follows from 4 - 5 p.m. 10th Floor Lounge, Education South Everyone welcome! 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. E-165 Education Centre.

Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies Lecture and presentation. Dr. Natalie Kononenko, Kule Chair of Ukrainian Ethnography, Department of Modern Languages and Cultural Studies, will give a lecture accompanied by a digital presentation on "Soviet Ritual/Post-Soviet Ritual: Undoing Social Engineering?" 3:30 p.m. Heritage Lounge (227) Athabasca Hall.

Speaker's Series 2004-5: Conjunctions of the Social and the Political Karen Houle (Philosophy, University of Alberta) - will speak on the "Deleuze and Guattari on the Political." 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 10-4 Tory Building.

University Teaching Services A Model of Course Construction (C) A group of educators with expertise in business, ethics, and social entrepreneurship discusses the process they are using to develop a course in business ethics. Details of the student research and the environmental scan that have contributed to this process will be shared. Presenters: Rebecca Davis Mathias, St. Joseph's College, Gary McPherson, Michelle Provorny-Cash, Michael Shandro, Leo Wong, and Tyler Wry, Business. 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. CAB 235.

Under the Northern Lights: The Boreal Forest Dr. Susan Hannon, Biological Sciences, U of A "Multi-scale responses to forest fragmentation: are boreal birds doomed?" 4:30 p.m. V Wing Lecture Theatre, Room 120.

JAN 28 2005

Abstract Submission Deadline for Teaching, Learning, and Technology Conference Planning to attend this year's Teaching, Learning, and Technology conference in May? Please note that we are accepting presentation proposals only until January 28. You can submit an abstract online at: www.extension.ualberta.ca/tlt2005/speakers.aspx TELUS Centre for Professional Development.

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University Teaching Services Student-Instructor Email: The Pain and the Gain (I) This panel, consisting of an undergraduate student, two professors, and the University's Access and Privacy Advisor, will explore the issues surrounding stu-

dent-instructor e-mail. The benefits and challenges of using electronic mail within the teaching-learning context will be discussed. Presenters: Harry Davis, Information and Privacy Office, Brian Nielsen, Physical Education and Recreation, Samantha Power, Arts, Connie Varnhagen, Psychology. 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. CAB 219.

Department of Biological Sciences Sarah Childs, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of Calgary is presenting a seminar on "Defining out of Bounds: Pathways involved in guidance and integrity of the developing vascular system in Zebrafish," at 3:30 p.m. in Room M-149 of the Biological Sciences Building. 3:30 p.m. M-149, Biological Sciences Building.

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Summer Job Fair Beat the Heat! Get that job early by meeting employers who wish to fill their summer positions. Admission free. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Butterdome (Universiade Pavillion).

Pharmacy Career Fair 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 2-000 Students' Union Building (SUB).

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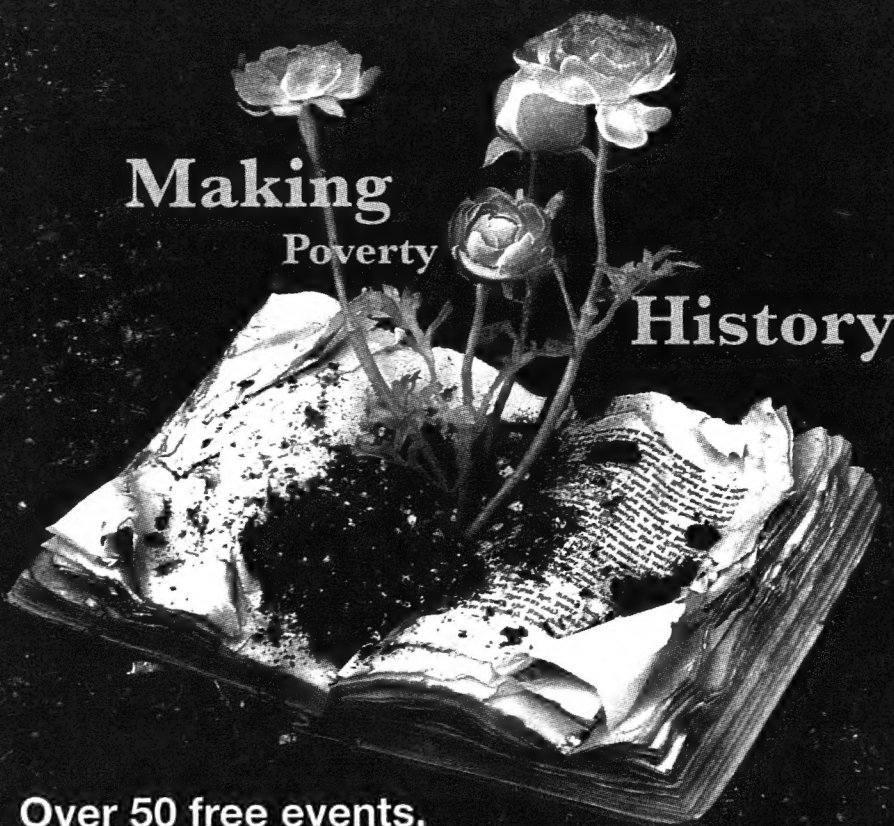
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Electoral Reform in British Columbia A discussion of the electoral reform in British Columbia with distinguished guest R. Kenneth Carty, a Professor of Political Science at the University of British Columbia and Chief Research Officer of the British Columbia Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform. 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Law Centre, Room 231/237.

JAN 31 – FEB 4 2005

International Week 2005 - "Making Poverty History" International Week 2005, the University's largest annual extra-curricular educational event, consists of over 50 events involving speakers, workshops, films, performing and visual arts exploring global issues. All events are open to the public and most are free of charge. Poverty kills 30,000 people each day. The goal of International Week 2005 is to bring greater awareness to our campus and the broader Edmonton community about poverty issues and to inspire participants to get involved in 'making poverty history.' Program details are available through our program guide, available at the International Centre and throughout campus, or visit the U of A International website. 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. University of Alberta, Various Venues.

JAN 31 2005

Noon Hour Organ Recital All Bach: Bach Organ Works Featuring students, faculty and guests of the University of Alberta Department of Music. 12:00 p.m. Arts Building/Convocation Hall.

Department of Chemistry "Plants and Fungi: Chemical Warfare or Natural Coexistence." Western University Exchange Speaker Program. Lecture presented by Professor Soledade Pedras, Department of Chemistry, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon. 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. V-124 Physics Wing.

University Teaching Services Getting Your First Academic Appointment (S) There is a certain amount of ritual about obtaining your first academic appointment. You need to apply for the job, make the shortlist, and then be interviewed by the selection committee and often by the whole department. Almost certainly you will present a seminar to potential colleagues. This session provides useful strategies and approaches to the seminar which is often a crucial part of the hiring process. Presenter: David Cook, Studies in Medical Education. 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. CAB 235.

FEB 01 2005

"Strategies for Multiple Choice Exams" Learn how to prepare for multiple choice, what to look for in the questions, how to select answers, guessing strategies, and gain practice using sample questions. Pre-register at 2-703 Students' Union Building (SUB). 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 2-702 Students' Union Building (SUB).

University Teaching Services Teaching Profession or Teaching Vocation: Does it Make a Difference? (C) Underneath teaching activities there lies a conceptual framework in terms of viewing our role and purpose as a teacher. The framework we adopt impacts what and how we teach. This session explores what it means to think of teaching as a profession and as a vocation and considers what significance this may have on our teaching attitudes and teaching practices. Presenter: Joe Buijs, St. Joseph's College. 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. CAB 235.

Doctor of Music Recital Eleni Pappa, piano Works by JS Bach, Beethoven, Liszt and Ives. 8:00 p.m. Arts Building/Convocation Hall.

FEB 02 2005

Medical Genetics Weekly Seminar Series Dr. Joanne Robitaille of Dalhousie University will present "Frizzled 4 signaling in retinal vascular development". 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. 2-07 HMRC.

PHS Grand Rounds Guest Speaker: Dr. William Rees, Professor of Ecology, School of Community and Regional Planning, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC "Wealth as a Buffer Against the Degradation of Life-Supporting Ecosystems." 12:00 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. Room 2-117, Clinical Sciences Building.

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University Teaching Services Perils and Pitfalls of First Time Teaching (M) The first time an instructor develops and teaches his or her own course is exhilarating, but can be equally intimidating and exhausting. First-time instructors are often confronted with a variety of unique challenges, many of them unanticipated. In this presentation, two 'survivors' of first-time teaching share their experiences and discuss the issues and concerns faced by instructors the first time they step in front of a class. Presenters: Dawn Nickel and Allan Rowe, History and Classics. 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. CAB 235.

Opening Our Eyes: Strategies to Reduce Poverty in Indigenous Communities 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Engineering Teaching and Learning Complex (ETLC).

FEB 03 2005

Lunch by the Books "On the Fringe, in the mainstream: A backgrounder in Edmonton theatre" will be presented by Dr. Alex Hawkins, who teaches theatre history and directing in the Department of Drama. Hawkins will talk about the Edmonton Fringe, and other alternatives to the mainstream theatres, as both being on the "fringe," and will address how "mainstream" and "fringe" theatre have intermingled constantly over the years in Edmonton. Participants are welcome to bring their lunch to the sessions, which will take place Thursdays between 12:10 and 12:50 p.m. 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Stanley A. Milner Library (downtown), Centre for Reading and the Arts, main floor.

Ian MacLaren (UofA) 'Zealous Sayles' and Zealous Sales: Making Books out of Failures to sail the Northwest Passage History & Classics Colloquium Series (In Memoriam Stuart Mackinnon). 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Under the Northern Lights: The Boreal Forest Dr. John Innes, UBC "Cumulative impacts of development on forests in northeast British Columbia." 4:30 p.m. V Wing Lecture Theatres, Room 120.

University Teaching Services PowerPoint Text and Pictures (S) This hands-on session reviews the basic features of PowerPoint, and provides sources for clip art and pictures that can enhance presentations and become hooks for student learning. Scanned images are also discussed. Limited computer workstations available; first come, first seated. Presenter: Kevin Moffitt, Technology Training Centre. 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Technology Training Centre (Cameron Library basement).

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FEB 04 2005

Centre for Research on Literacy Reading Instruction in Kindergarten: Individual Effects of a Classroom Phonological Awareness Program. Presented by: Dr. Veronica Smith. This study describes findings of the quantity and quality of implementation of an early phonological awareness program, Firm Foundations, conducted in kindergarten classrooms in a northern school district in Western Canada. The purpose was to examine the influence of the instructional program on learning among kindergarten children who demonstrate a range of risks by examining individual responses to the program and examining how variability in delivery of the program influenced outcomes. Results show that all children, and particularly children with more than one risk, who were in classrooms where teachers spent more time on the phonological awareness program performed better on reading outcome measures than children who were in classrooms where teachers spent less time on these activities. These results provide support for the effectiveness of preventive reading instruction that focus on phonological awareness across a diverse range of settings and populations and suggest that differences in literacy outcomes can be accounted for by instructional practices at the level of the classroom even after risk factors such as students' family background, individual characteristics, and ability upon entry to school are taken into account. Please RSVP to Cherie Geering at cgeering@ualberta.ca or 492-4250. 12:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. 651a Education South.

Department of Biological Sciences Mark Glover, Department of Biochemistry, University of Alberta is presenting a seminar on "Structural insights into the causes of BRAC1-mediated familial breast cancer." 3:30 p.m. M-149, Biological Sciences Building.

Pandas Basketball Pandas vs. University of Lethbridge. 6:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. U of A Main Gym.

Music at Convocation Hall Duo Majoya plays the piano, harpsichord and organs Marnie Giesbrecht, organ Joachim Segger, piano Domenico Scarlatti and Antonio Soler Sonatas and Concertos for One and Two Keyboard Instruments. 8:00 p.m. Arts Building/Convocation Hall.

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RUTHERFORD AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING

The GFC University Teaching Awards Committee (UTAC) announces to the University community that nominations are now being sought for the annual Rutherford Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. At least one award, but not more than five, is given annually. The purpose of the Rutherford Award is to recognize excellent teaching, to publicize such excellence to the University and the wider community, to encourage the pursuit of excellence in teaching, and to promote informed discussion of teaching and its improvement at the University of Alberta. Nominations are made by Faculties that teach undergraduate students, and information about the nomination procedures and adjudication criteria has been sent to those Faculties. Nominations should be made through a Faculty committee and submitted by the Faculty to the Secretary of UTAC, 2-5 University Hall. Anyone who needs assistance and advice in preparing nominations should contact Ms Bente Roed, Director, University Teaching Services, 215 Central Academic Building (492-2826). The deadline for receipt of award nominations is Friday, February 25, 2005 at 4:30 pm. In most cases, individual Faculties have established earlier deadlines to allow for internal adjudication procedures. Award recipients are publicly recognized at a special reception, at Convocation, and at the Celebration of Teaching and Learning. They also receive a memento and a cash prize of \$3000. The prize is awarded to the recipients as a cheque.

WILLIAM HARDY ALEXANDER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SESSIONAL TEACHING

The GFC University Teaching Awards Committee (UTAC) announces to the University community that nominations are now being sought for the William Hardy Alexander Award for Excellence in Sessional Teaching. A maximum of two awards is given annually. The purpose of the William Hardy Alexander Award is to recognize excellent teaching by sessional academic staff, to publicize such excellence to the University and the wider community, to encourage the pursuit of excellence in teaching, and to promote informed discussion of teaching and its improvement at the University of Alberta. Nominations are made by Faculties that teach undergraduate students, and information about the nomination procedures and adjudication criteria has been sent to those Faculties. Nominations should be made through a Faculty committee and submitted by the Faculty to the Secretary of UTAC, 2-5 University Hall. Anyone who needs assistance and advice in preparing nominations should contact Ms Bente Roed, Director, University Teaching Services, 215 Central Academic Building (492-2826). The deadline for receipt of award nominations is Friday, February 25, 2005 at 4:30 pm. In most cases, individual Faculties have established earlier deadlines to allow for internal adjudication procedures. Award recipients are publicly recognized at a special reception, at Convocation, and at the Celebration of Teaching and Learning. They also receive a memento and a cash prize of \$3000. The prize is awarded to the recipients as a cheque.

3M TEACHING FELLOWSHIP AND ALAN BLIZZARD AWARDS - 2005

The 3M Teaching Fellowships Award, which has a deadline of March 4, 2005, is a joint project of 3M Canada Inc. and the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE), initiated in 1986 by STLHE. Up to 10 awards are given annually. The University of Alberta has 24 3M Teaching Fellows, followed by the University of Western Ontario with 18 and the University of Guelph with 12. The 3M Teaching Fellowships represent Canada's only national award for university educators. Any individual teaching at a Canadian university (regardless of discipline or level of appointment) is eligible. An all expense paid three-day (November 5-7, 2005), retreat at the Fairmont Le Chateau Montebello is a main component of the award.

Nomination information is available at the following websites: www.stlhe.ca or www.mcmaster.ca/3Mteachingfellowships. Email enquiries should be directed to Arshad Ahmad <arshad@jmsb.concordia.ca> or by phone to (514) 848-2424 extension 2928 or 2793.

The Alan Blizzard Award, which has a deadline of January 28, 2005, was developed by the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) to stimulate and reward collaboration in teaching, and to encourage and disseminate the scholarship of teaching. The award is given to collaborative projects that increase the effectiveness of student learning. Created on his retirement, the award honours Alan Blizzard for his significant contributions to university teaching and learning as president of STLHE from 1987 - 1995. The first award was given in 2000; teams from the University of Alberta received the award in 2000 and 2003.

The application form is available at www.mcmaster.ca/stlhe/awards/alan.blizzard.award.htm. Email enquiries should be directed to Aline Germain-Rutherford, <agermain@uottawa.ca> or by phone to (613) 564-2350.

You can also contact Bente Roed, University Teaching Services, 215 Central Academic Building, 492-2826 for information on both these awards.

THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Call for Honorary Degree Nominations
The Office of the Senate is accepting nominations of worthy individuals for honorary degrees. Any member of the public or the University community may submit a nomination.

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To make a nomination, visit www.ualberta.ca/senate/honorarydegrees.cfm and download a nomination form. For more information or to request that a nomination package be sent to you, please contact the Office of the Senate at 780.492.2448 or senate.office@ualberta.ca.

The deadline to submit nominations is January 31, 2005.

EFF - FSIDA (FUND FOR SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES)

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The deadline for receipt of applications to the EFF - FSIDA is April 15, 2005. The next competition deadline date is October 15, 2005.

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ADVISORY REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR VICE-PRESIDENT (RESEARCH): FACULTY NOMINATIONS

Gary Kachanoski's term as Vice-President (Research) ends on June 30, 2006. Dr Kachanoski has advised President Rod Fraser that he would like to stand for a second term of office. In consultation with the Chair of the Board of Governors, Mr Jim Edwards, President Fraser has therefore asked that an Advisory Review Committee for Vice-President (Research) be struck.

The composition of the Advisory Review Committee for Vice-President (Research) includes three members of the full-time and continuing part-time faculty (Categories A1.1, A1.5 or their counterparts in A1.6) who do not hold administrative positions as defined in Section 22.3.2(4) of the GFC Policy Manual. Staff who are on leave are not eligible to serve. Dr Fraser will chair the meetings of the Advisory Review Committee, which have already been scheduled for the following days and times: March 14, 2005, 2:00-3:00 pm; April 6, 2005, 9:00-11:00 am; April 25, 2005, 2:00-4:00 pm; and May 16, 2005, 2:00-3:00 pm.

Written nominations supported by the signatures of five members of the full-time and/or part-time academic staff (not including the nominee) should be submitted to the Director of the University Secretariat, Ellen Schoeck, 2-5 University Hall. Nominations must be received by Tuesday, February 8, 2005, at 4:30pm. Nominees must agree to stand for election to the Advisory Review Committee. As stated above, GFC regulations require that nominees should not be holders of an administrative position, such as Dean or Department Chair, since administrators are already represented on the Advisory Review Committee. The full composition of this 14-member Advisory Review Committee for Vice-President (Research), and the nomination and election procedures, are contained in Section 102 of the GFC Policy Manual, which is available in the University Secretariat (2-5 University Hall) and online at www.ualberta.ca/secretariat/. If you have any questions about eligibility to serve or to nominate, please call Ellen Schoeck at 492-5430.

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Applications for the 2005-2006 Killam Annual Professorships are now available. All regular, continuing, full-time academic faculty members who are not on leave during 2005-2006 are eligible to apply. Deans, Department Chairs and other senior University administrators with personnel responsibilities shall not normally be eligible for Killam Annual Professorships. Associate Deans and Associate Department Chairs are eligible providing they do not have personnel responsibilities. Up to eight Killam Annual Professors will be selected by a subcommittee of the Killam Trusts Committee; no more than two Professorships shall be awarded to staff members in any one Faculty in any given year. Each Killam Annual Professor shall be presented with a \$3500 prize and a commemorative plaque.

The duties of Killam Annual Professors shall not be changed from those that they regularly perform as academic staff members.

The primary criterion for selection shall be a record of outstanding scholarship and teaching over three or more years as evidenced by any or all of research publications, creative activities, presented papers, supervision of graduate students, and courses taught. The secondary criterion shall be substantial contributions to the community beyond the University, as evidenced by community involvement directly linked to the applicant's university responsibilities and activities.

Awards are tenable for twelve months commencing July 1, 2005. The completed application must be received at the Office of the Vice-President (Research), 3-7 University Hall, by 4:30 pm, Friday 25 February 2005. The awardees shall be announced by early May, and they will be formally recognized at the Killam Luncheon in the autumn of 2005.

Applications and further details are available on the home page of the Vice-President (Research) at: <http://www.uofaweb.ualberta.ca/vpresearch/>

Please contact Annette Kujda, Administrative Officer, Office of the Vice-President (Research) at extension 28342 or email: annette.kujda@ualberta.ca if you have any questions.

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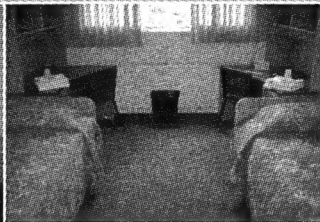
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Professor Fred Judson, Chair
Department of Political Science
10-16 HM Tory Building
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Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6G 2H4
Email: fred.judson@ualberta.ca

Closing date for the competition: January 31, 2005.

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Department of Human Ecology
302 Human Ecology Building
University of Alberta
Edmonton, AB T6G 2N1 Canada
Phone: (780) 492-5997
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A Night at the Opera

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Department of Music stages two one-act operas

By Shawn Benbow

For Meera Varghese, going to class is not about sitting through lectures. "We don't do the classroom with desks thing," the bachelor of music student said of the opera workshop class she's taking. Taught and directed by Dr. Alan Ord, the class is presenting two one-act comedic operas at the end of the month.

Varghese describes her character in Gian-Carlo Menotti's *The Old Maid and the Thief* as a "big, gossipy troublemaker." Varghese is joined on stage by the old maid, played by Gillian Scarlett, and the two single women take a street beggar into their house. Before long they're robbing liquor stores to satisfy his demands.

The second opera, written by Giacomo Puccini's, is *Gianni Schicchi*. Third-year music student Rob Clark plays the title character, Gianni Schicchi, who is hired by the family of recently deceased Buoso Donati. After finding out that Donati willed his entire estate to friars, the mourning family asks Schicchi to impersonate Donati and rewrite the will. "I'm that character, and I know that Donati has died, and I concoct a plan to get all of his money," Clark explained. "It's all really complicated. An opera is like a singing staged version of a soap opera: very convoluted and with lots of subplots."

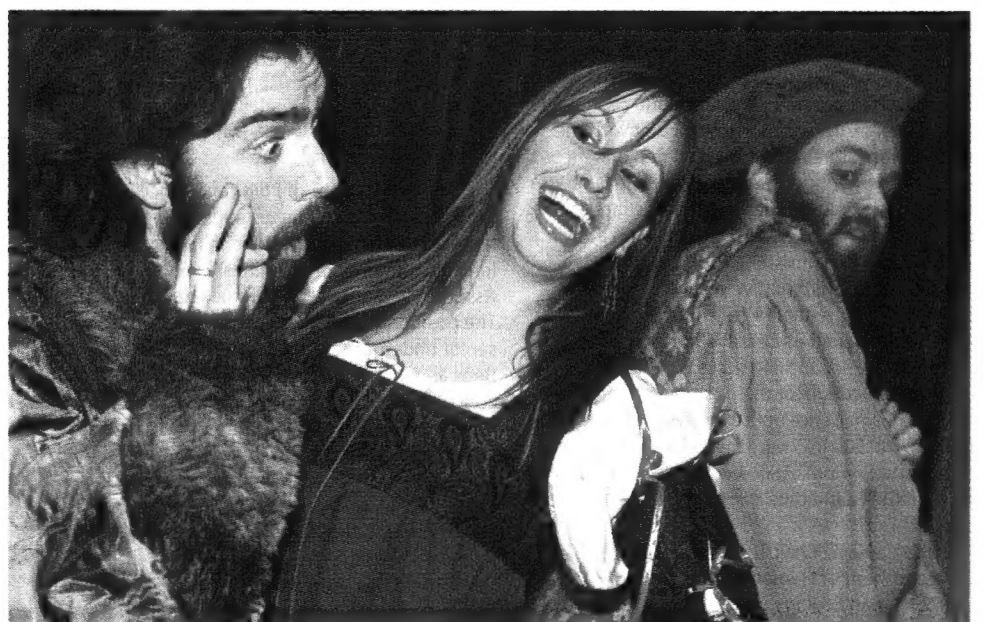
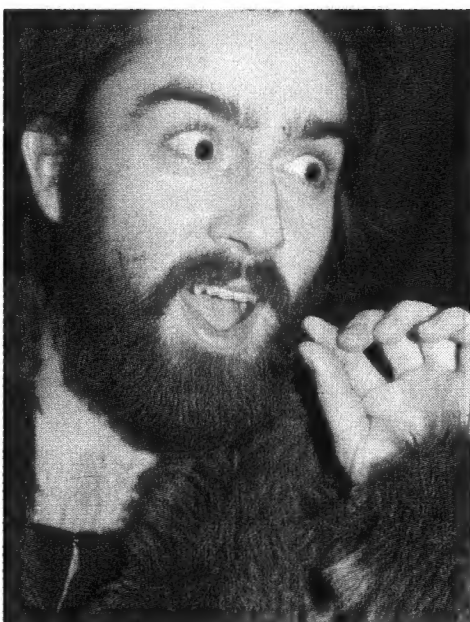
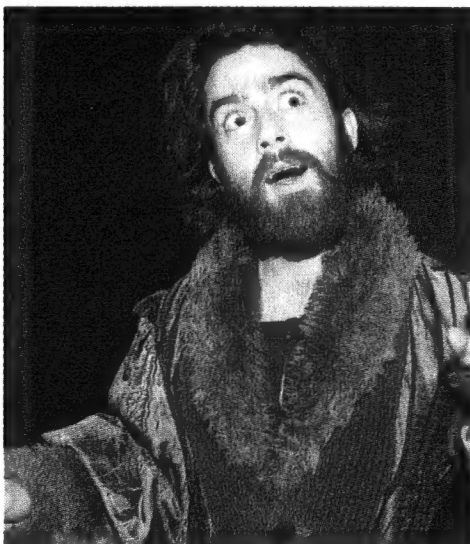
Artistic director Ord has been teaching the opera workshop class for the last 29 years. Each year the class alternates between performing scenes from several operas and staging full operas. This year, the two operas are complete with a full orchestra, courtesy of the University Symphony Orchestra.

"I think the best thing about this course is it gives young singers an idea of what the demands are to learn and know your character, and get ready for staging and performance," Varghese said. Because she acted throughout high school and is a classical Indian Bharatnatyam dancer, Varghese had no trouble taking song to the stage.

"The operas are usually sold out, and the audience will laugh their heads off," Clark said. "You'll enjoy two great shows – the acting, singing, and music. And if you listen carefully you might hear some tunes you will recognize."

The two operas run back-to-back at 8 p.m., January 26 - 29, at Convocation Hall. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors, and are available at the Department of Music Office on the third floor of the Fine Arts Building. ■

The Department of Music is staging two one-act operas featuring (top row, L - R) Meera Varghese and Gillian Scarlett in *The Old Maid and the Thief*. The second opera, *Gianni Schicchi*, showcases the talents of (middle row, L - R) Johnathan Ayers, Rob Clark and Amy Gartner.



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